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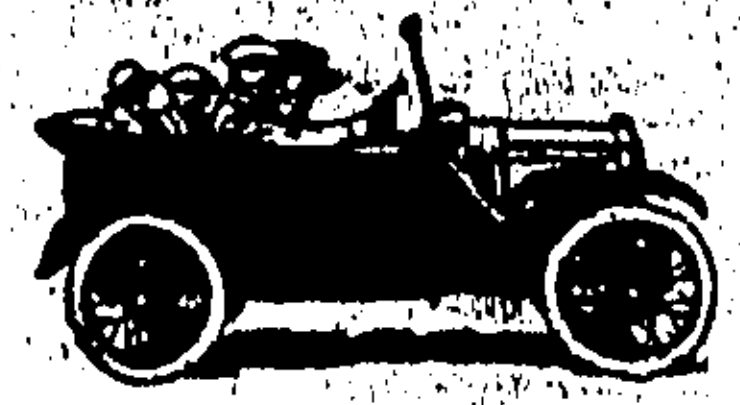
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A CABLE TO NEW YORK.

Sir Claud Severn's Interesting Statement.

What steps is the Hongkong Government taking to get British nurses for the staffing of the Kowloon Hospital?
How far was the Government committed to the Maryknoll Mission of New York, and will it have to pay any compensation to that institution?

These questions are exercising the public mind in view of the recent decision of the Government not to staff the proposed new Kowloon Hospital with nursing sisters of the Maryknoll Mission coupled with the impression the Governor gave in his budget speech that a contract had been made with the Mission.

His Excellency's words were that "part provision for the staffing has already been made." Replies were given with the utmost readiness to a "China Mail" reporter who put the question to the Hon. Colonial Secretary, Sir Claud Severn.

"There is no signed agreement by both parties in existence," said Sir Claud, "an agreement was certainly made to New York but a cable anticipating its arrival was despatched when the Government came to its new decision."

"If the Mission hold out for their strict legal rights could the agreement be held binding on the Government and compensation demanded?" queried the reporter. "It is very unlikely that the Mission would think of adopting such a course," said the Colonial Secretary. "My private opinion is that in any event they would not

have come here without the goodwill of the public."

"Does the agreement commit the Government for any period of years?"

"If the contract had been completed each party could have terminated it at any time if due notice was given."

British Nurses.
"What are the channels through which nurses from Britain are engaged by the Government?"

"All appointments are made through the Overseas Nursing Association which will be notified in due course," Sir Claud added that he had made enquiries as to whether the reversal of the Government's policy would necessitate any structural alterations in the nurses' quarters and he was of the opinion that some slight ones might be necessary.

"Does the Government consider that it will require more or less British nurses than the number of nurses the Maryknoll Mission were to have provided?"
"Of that I am not quite certain. But whatever the numbers the regulation wages that will have to be paid them and the extra cost of passage will mean a larger expenditure."

BY AIR TO POLE.

NANSEN PLANS ZEPPELIN TRIP.

(Reuter's Service.)

CHRISTIANIA, November 25.
Dr. Fridtjof Nansen has agreed to participate in the forthcoming expedition to the North Pole on a Zeppelin, equipped with landing apparatus. The plans were drawn up by the German Airman Bruns.



Previous Experiences.

Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, born in 1861, is a Norwegian scientist, statesman and explorer. He organised the first expedition to cross and explore Greenland in 1888; he engaged in the Polar exploration during the years from 1893 to 1896, in the specially built ship the "Fram," which reached latitude 86° degrees 14 minutes North.

He took a leading part in the movement which led to the separation of Norway and Sweden, and was appointed Minister to England by the newly formed Norwegian Government in 1906, but resigned in 1908. He was appointed Professor of oceanography at Christiania in 1908, and chairman of the Norwegian Association for the League of Nations in 1918. In 1919 he proposed to the Allies that a neutral commission for the supply of food to Russia should be appointed, but the scheme was rejected by the Bolshevik government, who would not agree to the Allies' condition, that hostilities should first cease. He was requested at the fourth meeting of the Council of the League of Nations, held in April 1920, to investigate problems connected with the repatriation of prisoners of war still in captivity, he undertook the task with zeal, ability, and

PARDONED.

FRENCH RELEASE GERMAN GENERAL.

FEAR POPULAR OPINION.

(Reuter's Service.)

PARIS, November 24.
Owing to the outcry and probable reaction on Anglo-German relations because of the conviction, the French Government has pardoned the German General Von Nathusius.

[A message from Lille, dated November 20, reads: One of the so-called war criminals, the German General Von Nathusius, who was sentenced in contumacious to five years imprisonment after the war, on a charge of stealing furniture, articles and clothing from a chateau in which he was billeted in wartime, recently was re-arrested when visiting his father's grave at Forbach. He was to-day retried by Court-Martial. He strenuously denied the charge, but the Court decided by a majority of 4 to 3 that Nathusius was guilty. He was sentenced to one year's imprisonment and ordered to pay the costs of the prosecution.]

EGYPT TROUBLE.

LORD ALLENBY'S HANDS STRENGTHENED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, Nov. 25.
With a view to strengthening the hands of Lord Allenby, in the present critical situation, Major Neville Henderson has been appointed a Minister Plenipotentiary, while employed at the Residency at Cairo.

Parliament Adjourns.
CAIRO, Nov. 25.
A royal decree adjourns Parliament for one month from today.

Bluejackets Missing.
ALEXANDRIA, November 25.
Two British bluejackets of good character have been missing for 48 hours. The authorities have been informed.

CAIRO, November 25.
A brigade of infantry with fixed bayonets will parade the streets of Cairo to-morrow.

success. He is the author of numerous publications, including "Farthest North" in 1907, "The Norwegian North Polar Expedition, Scientific Results" (1909-10), "Norway and the Union with Sweden" (1909), and "Through Siberia" (1914).

PIRACY BLACKMAIL.

WEST RIVER SKIPPER LIETS VEIL.

How All Must Pay.

SHIPPERS "GET BACK" ON PASSENGERS.

Although the local military above Wuchow are now being rewarded with success in coping with the pirate and bandit evils, territory nearer the Southern seat of Government remains as lawless as ever.

Even in close proximity to Canton—such well-known places as Ho-Kau and Lak Lau—pirates prey upon passing shipping and itinerant traders, demanding "cumshaw" for non-molestation.

To illustrate the point, the skipper of a West River vessel explained to a "China Mail" reporter one method of collecting this blackmail. When it was known that a famous Cantonese theatrical troupe would pass a certain spot a letter was sent demanding \$3,000 for the privilege of passing. The officer commanding the party of guards escorting the actors compromised by suggesting that the promoters pay half the sum and was instrumental in handing it over while he was still getting his "safe conduct" money.

All Are Liable.
Now that the cold weather is setting in, native craft and even the smaller steamers have been "approached" and asked to contribute to the outlaws' coffers. This interference is the more serious as it comes just when merchandise was beginning to be on the move again after the merchants' trouble in Canton.

Above Wuchow, where a large fleet of small flat-bottomed motor vessels ply between the various markets and up-country ports, a fixed scale is laid down by the banditry who levy in ratio to tonnage and sailing power, some routes proving more remunerative than others.

Shippers Recoup.
As they are not accorded the necessary protection, up-country shipping men must pay the illegal levies and recoup them in higher freights. For less than the equivalent of a lower deck (steerage) passage between Hongkong and Canton, (which usually costs a dollar or so) by motor ship in some parts of Kwangsi, the fare is as much as \$6 and seldom less than \$3.

SAMUEL GOMPERS.

RE-ELECTED BY AMERICAN LABOUR.

(Reuter's American Service.)

EL PASO, November 25.
Mr. Samuel Gompers has been unanimously re-elected as



President of the American Federation of Labour, now holding a convention here.

DUTCH AIRMEN.

BATAVIA'S TRIBUTES TO COURAGE.

(Reuter's Service.)

THE HAGUE, November 25.
On the occasion of the arrival of the Dutch airmen at Batavia, the Presidents of the two Chambers and States-General paid tributes to their courage and perseverance.

Basee Riverbank, Pailan.
A hill peak is now used as a vantage point in arms and ammunition shipments from Canton to Pailan. The hill is known as the "Red Hill" and is situated on the left bank of the River. It is a very high and steep hill, and is surrounded by a dense forest. The hill is a very important point of communication between Canton and Pailan, and is a very dangerous place for the British forces.

PITCHED BATTLE.

COMMUNIST RESISTS EVICTION.

FIGHT WITH POLICE.

Wild Scenes Near Glasgow.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, November 25.

There were wild scenes at Cambuslang, near Glasgow, on the occasion of the eviction of a prominent Communist.

Sheriff's officers and police, using crowbars, forced an entrance into the house but were met by a fusillade of missiles and were drenched with water.

Two Communists were arrested. The occupants of the house put up a bold fight; something resembling a pitched battle ensued. There was considerable demonstration against the police after the

arrests, but a big force of police had a quietening effect. [Cambuslang ("at the head of the water") is a town in Mid-Lanarkshire, 4½ miles south-east by east from Glasgow. The town, which is situated on the left bank of the Clyde and is served by the Caledonian Railway, owes its prosperity to coal mines. The parish population is 15,400 and the town population 8,300.]

TRAGEDY AT SEA.

CAPTAIN FORCED TO KILL MANIAC.

AFFRAY ON "APOEY."

The voyage of the s.s. "Apoe" from Saigon to Hongkong was attended by an unusual incident which came to light on the arrival of the boat in harbour last evening. A deportee from Saigon, named Lee Kum-phai, gained access to a first class cabin occupied by a young married woman named Lung Yat, who along with her father, was proceeding to her home in Fukien province. Immediately the man gained admittance, he proceeded to bolt and barricade the door. On an alarm being raised by the woman, she was brutally attacked by the assailant, who inflicted a number of stab wounds on all parts of the body. The Captain and officers on the vessel, attracted by the woman's screams, tried to force the door open, but so effectively was it barricaded that it took about one hour before the door was crashed in. In the interval the assailant continued to attack the woman. On being called upon to surrender, the assailant hurled bottles, tumblers, and other articles at the rescue party, and seeing that all attempts to bring the man to reason were of no avail, Captain Anderson shot the man down and he died shortly after. The body was buried at sea.

Everything possible was done for the injured woman until the vessel arrived in port, when she was immediately removed to the Government Civil Hospital. The condition of the woman is very serious.

It is surmised that the assailant was suddenly seized with a fit of insanity and picked on the woman as the object of his attack.

The injured woman is said to belong to a respectable Chinese family and to be fairly well off.

MAY ALL GET IT!

VERNACULAR PRESS VIEW OF CHINA'S LEADERS.

"Tuan Ch'i-jui, Chang Tso-lin and Feng Yu-hsiang sleep in the same bed but each has his own dream." Sun Yat-sen prays for a nightmare which will bring him to join them (at the bed) are two of the sub-headings in a featured article by one of the Hongkong vernacular papers this morning, discussing the Peking prospects.

The first three named are now the leading lights in Peking and they have just been in conference. Hitherto the possibility of their acting in unison has always been doubted as they at various times, held irreconcilable views.

Tuan is the new Dictator, Chang the Mukden warlord and Feng the Christian General. Dr. Sun has yet to be reported as having joined the triumvirate.

TYPHOON WARNING.

At 11.30 this morning the following typhoon warning was posted at the Harbour Office:—
Typhoon or depression in Lat. 15° N., Long. 119° E., moving West, under unknown conditions.
The position indicated is not far from Manila, but to the west (this side of the Philippines).

CHRISTIAN FENG.

RESIGNS POST OF ARMY HEAD.

PERSONNEL OF CABINET.

(Reuter's Service.)

PEKING, November 26.

Reuter's Agency has been authoritatively informed that General Feng Yu-hsiang, the Christian general, has issued a circular telegram, in which he announces his retirement from the post of commandant of the National Army. He states all his troops will be handed over to the Government.



The Christian General.

New Cabinet Formed.

PEKING, November 25.

A mandate issued this morning appoints the following Cabinet:—
Tang Shao-yi Minister of Foreign Affairs.
Kung Hsing-chang Minister of Interior.
Li Shih-hao Minister of Finance.
Wu Kuang-hsin Minister of War.
Lin Chien-chang Minister of Navy.
Wang Chiu-ling Minister of Education.
Chang Chih-chao Minister of Justice.
Yang Shu-chan Minister of Agriculture and Commerce.
Yeh Kung-cho Minister of Communications.
Manshi Tuan is expected to be the Premier, as well as the Provisional Chief Executive. The standing feature of the Cabinet is the number of Manshi Tuan's own supporters in it and Anfuists instead of a non-party group of ministers which recent official statements indicated. It is noteworthy that none of Feng Yu-hsiang's supporters are included.

Dr. Sun in Japan.

Kobe, November 25.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen is remaining at Kobe for a few days for the purpose of interviewing Japanese politicians before proceeding to Fukuoka.

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BISHOP.—On November 21, at 8,
Park Lane, Shanghai, to Lily
Agnes (nee Clee), the wife
of E. V. Bishop, a son.

HEISTER.—On November 21, at
Mrs. Watanabe's Hospital,
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. F.
Heister, a daughter.

SENDZIMIR.—On November 21,
at St. Marie Hospital, Shang-
hai, to Mr. and Mrs. T. K.
Sendzimir, a son.

MARRIAGE.

MACFARLANE—KENNEDY.—
On November 20, at H.B.M.
Consulate-General, Shanghai,
before the Acting Consul-
General, and later at the
Union Church by the Rev.
A. N. Rowland, M.A., Robert
Macfarlane, son of the late
James S. Macfarlane, of
Greenock, to May Inglis
Kennedy, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. John Jarvie
Kennedy, Greenock.

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CHINA'S ONLY HOPE.

China's politics have long been
the despair of the newspaper
reader. Generals, marshals, pre-
miers and presidents—scores of
them!—have arisen since the
Revolution; many to pass quickly
into obscurity, others, like the
tenacious Dr. Sun Yat-sen, to cling
perilously to a place in the lime-
light. Even during the brief
periods when some tuchun has not
been fighting his way to power
or some president of a week has
not been feeling from the capital
—even in these brief respites,
from actual warfare and open
intrigue the pretty game of selfish
personal ambition has proceeded

war as a means of bringing peace
to his sorely troubled country.
Sir Robert Ho Tung has gone to
Shanghai to seize the psycholog-
ical moment, and it will be a
matter for the deepest regret if
his mission fails to achieve its
purpose, not only because his
unselfish efforts deserve to be
crowned with success, but also
because such an opportunity may
not present itself again for
months, for years even, during
which China will suffer the mani-
fold evils that result from her
present disunity.

Street Tennis Champions.

Sights reminiscent of those in
the side streets at home where
small boys are the bane of life of
passing adults and the legitimate
prey of the young policeman,
anxious for promotion, with their
footer, tops and other games
which endanger the comfort if not
the lives of passers by, are com-
mon enough in Hongkong
although to the "griffin" from
home the sight of Chinese
"nippers" playing games which
they thought were the specialties
of English girls and boys may be
a little difficult of comprehension.
The resident of any standing in
the ordinary way bestows not a
moment's thought on the youthful
enthusiasts unless it be to wish
and perhaps give expression to the
wish that they would choose for
their recreation any but the
streets which lie between his office
and his home or club: two
youngsters, however, who dis-
played an originality of concep-
tion and a perfection of execution
which was amazing to behold were
the objects of continued and
interested attention by a group of
European spectators outside the
Supreme Court buildings on
Monday. True, the occasion was
an unexpected interval in a court
case due to the non-appearance of
a witness; and almost any diversion
would have been acceptable; but
the sight was unusual enough to
draw a smile even from passing
pedestrians on business or plea-
sure intent. Just outside the
Cricket Club pavilion a miniature,
very miniature, tennis court had
been roughly outlined in chalk; it
had no double court lines but
was otherwise extraordinarily
accurate. Over a tiny open
culvert, from which presumably
rose an imaginary net, two quite
small (and very dirty) Chinese
lads contested fiercely point after
point with a faultless knowledge
of the rules governing the game
of tennis. They were minus
racquets and their wardrobe did
not run to whites and tennis shoes,
but with their form little fault
could be found. They were quite
unconscious of any audience until
a cheer from the balcony, which
greeted a nice cutting stroke from
one of the players which got
home in a corner of the court,
directed their attention upwards.
Like all true champions, however,
there was nothing in their play to
denote self-consciousness. They
continued to play with such gusto
and effect that when the drawn-
out cry of "Court" reminded the
audience of other duties the latter
left the verandah with marked
reluctance.

China's Finances.

Mr. H. J. Brett, British Com-
mercial Counsellor at Shanghai,
paints a black picture of condi-
tions in China in a report sub-
mitted to the British Government
for the six months ending June 30.

After traversing old ground with
regard to the manner in which
Peking is deprived of its just dues
by the various provincial authori-
ties, Mr. Brett emphasizes that
the Peking Government is, therefore,
dependent upon such funds as can
be released by the salt gabelle.
Whilst the total revenue from salt
was estimated at \$85,000,000 in
1922 about one-third of these funds
was commandeered by various
provincial leaders, and a consider-
able proportion of the balance was
hypothecated to various creditors,
so that the amount released to the
Government was only half the
above total, and out of this heavy
subsidies had to be paid to the
military authorities. A recent
investigation by a special com-
mission gives the amount actually
available for administrative re-
quirements as only \$7,000,000 per
annum, whilst the sums required
for administrative and military
purposes amount to \$128,000,000;
in other words, the Central Gov-
ernment's expenditure amounts
to more than seventeen times its
income, and this, of course, with-
out taking any account of China's
heavy indebtedness to unsecured
foreign and Chinese creditors.

RACING NOTES.

PROSPECTS FOR FINAL
MEETING.

[By Argus.]

At Happy Valley race-course on
Saturday, the final meeting of the
year will be held under the
auspices of the Hongkong Jockey
Club.

There are seven events on the
card, the first (the Seumill Sprint,
5 furlongs for Novices) being timed
to start at 2.30 p.m., which will
mean the last race being run in
the gloaming unless more despatch
is shown than on the last two oc-
casions. In the opinion of many,
the first race should start at 2 p.m.
at this time of the year. This
would allow—with an interval of
half-an-hour between each event—
the seventh event being timed to
start at 5 o'clock. The match is
one well worthy the consideration
of the clerk of the Course and the
Stewards.

DOUBTFUL STARTERS.

Much sympathy has been ex-
pressed for Dr. Fred Kew at the
news that all is not well with
Prince Regent. I understand that
he pulled up sore after a gallop out
Saturday morning. At any rate,
veterinary advice was sought, and
when I saw the pony on Sunday
afternoon he had what is generally
known as a pressure bandage on
his near fore. The pony was at
travelling exercise yesterday morn-
ing, so the trouble may only have
been a filled leg or very slightly
strained tendon. In view of the
numerous enquiries made to me
over the telephone, I sought out
Dr. Kew yesterday. He referred
me to Mr. Gibson for any infor-
mation I might require. Mr. Gibson
was as anxious as the owner that
the public should learn all there
was to know—so here it is: "Prince
Regent's near fore gave cause for
anxiety on Saturday last. The
advice of a veterinary surgeon was
sought and his instructions were
being carried out. Whether Prince
Regent goes to the Post on Satur-
day entirely depends on the advice
of the veterinary surgeon attending
him. Present intentions are to
start the pony in the last race of
the day—the Autumn Champion—
12 miles at weight for inches."
There was no intention yesterday
to have a "cut" at the Kilmarnock
Handicap "A" class (6 furlongs) in
which Prince Regent has been
allotted 168 lbs.—10 lbs. more than
weight for inches.

Roman Parrot is another pony
that is not likely to be seen on
Saturday. Goldleaf, late English
Money, is to be given a spell in
the hopes of his being ready for the
annual meeting.

PROBABLE STARTERS.

In the first race 15 names figure
and the following may go to the
post: Starland (Mr. Sewell),
Smart Guy (—), Day of Surprise
(Capt. Ospring), Pet Mouse
(Mr. Peat), Cotton-
grass (Mr. da Rosa), Exchange Bill
(Mr. Ralph), Strathfarrar (Mr.
(Pollock), Koh-i-Noor (Lt.-Col.
Thompson), Manchurian Prince
(Mr. Potts), Eli (Mr. Stanton),
White Rose (Capt. Hall), Uncle
George (—).

Day of Surprise, Starland, Cot-
tongrass, Koh-i-Noor and Strath-
farrar are, of course, the pick of
the bunch of these Messrs. Dyer
and Beith's grey is bound to be in
at the death if he can reproduce his
form in the Park Plate, on June 9,
when he ran third to Hartfield with
Spotted Sand splitting, the pair.
There are of course immense possi-
bilities about Mr. Dumbur's
nomination, but until he shows us
something beyond "track" gallops,
he had better be looked upon as a
good outsider. He can gallop but
whether he will with the colours up
still remains to be proved. With
the exception of Koh-i-Noor and
Starland there is not much to be
said unless Cottongrass has recovered
his best form. There seems to be
some doubt whether Mr. Pollock
and Lt.-Col. Thompson are eligible
as novices.

In the second event, the Kilmar-
nock Handicap, (6 furlongs) for
"A" class, the following should
accept: Hartfield (Mr. Harri-
man), Magnificent Dahlia (Mr.
Gibson), Silver Spear (Mr. Davies),
Clover Club (—), Rivergrass
(Lt.-Col. Thompson), Zenda
Pencastle (Mr. Zellenzky).

Hartfield should manage to win.
The Troon Handicap, the third
race, may attract: Rothesay (Mr.
Zellenzky), Kashmir (—), Fernleaf
(Mr. Harriman), Valiant Dahlia
(Mr. Gibson), Rialto Star (—),
Gandie (Lt.-Col. Thompson), Wat-
tlean (—).

The field may include one or two
more, but I fancy I have named
the winner among the foregoing.
My choice on the book would be
Kashmir provided a strong rider is
available as some one is needed to
drive him along in the last 100
yards. Fernleaf on recent form is
held safe by both Kashmir and
Rothesay. Among the light
brigade, Fatsai is the pick, but I
understand he will be reserved for
the fifth event, when Mr. Harri-
man has promised to ride him.
The opposition here would not be

HANKOW RACES.

EWONG PONY WINS THE
CHAMPIONS.

Hankow, November 20.—The
Hankow Champions resulted as
follows:

Ewo's bay Hippolyto 1
Wayfoong's bay Glen Buie 2
Doric's blue dun Blue Peter 3
Sweep numbers:—
3217 1st Prize.
7119 2nd Prize.
7908 3rd Prize.

WORLD'S OIL.

ANGLO-PERSIAN COMPANY
IN MEETING.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, November 25.
Presiding at the meeting of the
Anglo-Persian Oil Company, Sir
Charles Greenway pointed out that
last year, the consumption of oil
seemed to be overtaking the pro-
duction. This would have hap-
pened if few fields in the United
States had not been brought in, but
the consumption of petrol had
enormously increased throughout
the world and was nearly counter-
balancing the increased production.
Further developments in the
Company's new field were fully
confirmed by the value thereof.
Further drilling in the Argentina
had led to striking considerable
quantities of oil.
The Company's production dur-
ing the present financial year
should be between 4½ and 4¾ mil-
lion tons.

so strong and I imagine the shorter
distance would be more, to his
liking. As Mr. Harriman will not
be available for Kashmir, it is pos-
sible he may not be sent. I fancy,
however, he will start.

The fourth race is the St.
Andrew's Cup 12 miles. For this
popular event one can probably
recon on the following coming
under starter's orders: Washing-
ton (Mr. Gibson), Little Mince
(Capt. Ospring), Diamondland
(—), Spotted Sand
(Mr. Daxiel Satisfaction Dahlia
(Mr. Harriman), Rialto Star (Lt.-
Col. Thompson), Wattleau
(—), Grey Dragon
(Mr. Zellenzky), Pencastle (Mr.
Pollock), Valiant Dahlia (Mr.
Potts), Newton Abbot (Mr.
Soares).

On his last performance over this
distance, when he ran second to
Grey Dragon, Spotted Sand has a
chance second to none. On that
occasion, Mr. Dyer's pony had
157 lbs. in the saddle and Grey
Dragon 154 lbs. Mr. Harriman is
very sweet on the chances of Satis-
faction Dahlia, while any personal
fancy is Washington as the most
likely to trouble Spotted Sand.

The fifth event is the "B" class
Kilmarnock Handicap (6 furlongs).
For this I fancy the best field of
the day will be seen out, including
Orient Dahlia (Mr. Gibson), Ire-
pressible (Mr. Sewell), Loch Ran-
noch (Mr. Zellenzky), Hallahan
(Lt.-Col. Thompson), King
Johnnie (Mr. Davies), Fatsai (Mr.
Harriman), White Rose (Mr.
Ralph), Exchange Bill (—),
Cottongrass (—), Peninsula Lad
(Capt. Hall), Golden
Jubilee (—), Pet
Mouse (Mr. Davies), Uncle George
(—).

At the moment, I must split my
vote between Hallahan and Orient
Dahlia.

The penultimate event field will
be largely influenced by the pre-
ceding race. To be on the safe side,
it is possibly as well to expect the
following to accept: Irrepressible
(Mr. Sewell), Smart Guy (Mr.
Ralph), Langsat (Lt.-Col. Thomp-
son), Silver Spear (Mr. Davies),
Peninsula Lad (Capt. Hall), Duke
of Frisco (—), Hartfield (Mr. Harriman), Wat-
tlean (—), Magni-
ficent Dahlia (Mr. Gibson).

The distance should suit Silver
Spear, while Langsat and Hartfield
may well be in the running.
For the last event, Prince
Regent's state of soundness is
bound to influence the field so dis-
cussion can await my final notes.
It should suffice to state that
odds of 5-1 have already been laid
on Prince Regent. The difficulty
is that none of the public know
how good this pony is over the dis-
tance. He is credited with cover-
ing the last 1½ miles of the 12
course in 2min. 47sec. and finish-
ing in 31. On the other hand,
Kashmir's record over this distance
is very creditable.

KASHMIR'S RECORD.
Beaten one length by McKenzie
in 2.37.2/5 on May 8, 1923, carry-
ing 155 lbs.

Carrying 155 lbs. won Rubicon
Pulse in 2.40.2/5 on May 9, 1923.

Carrying 157 lbs. was beaten 4
lengths by McKenzie (156 lbs.) in
2.37.2/5 on May 12, 1923.

Carrying 167 lbs. was beaten a
neck by Woodcroft (147 lbs.) in 2.38
on April 5, 1924. Though I fancy
Prince Regent will win it cannot be
5-1 on in view of his public per-
formances as against those of
Kashmir. The latter, at any rate,
would appear to have a fighting
chance if nothing else has.

MR. EDE'S SCHEME.

HOW A CHINESE SEES IT.

"EAST IS EAST—"

Kipling's Lines And Local Conditions.

Following the publication of the article concerning the Hon. Mr. C. Montague Ede's proposed Industrial Security Association, the opinions of leading Chinese who might be interested directly or indirectly in the project, were sought by the "China Mail."

As Mr. Ede's announcement had not been very fully translated in the vernacular press, only a few of the gentlemen interviewed had then had an opportunity of studying the details.

On approaching a leading honorary official of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, the "Mail" representative was referred to one of the Colony's most progressive contractors.

Candidly admitting that he was not qualified to pass expert comment because he had never even decont of such a scheme, the contractor expressed doubt as to the Association's commercial possibilities. His remarks can be broadly translated as follows:—

Without commercial prospects, no income would be forthcoming except for the interest on capital, a capital which would have to be expended on initial outlay although the sum is quite large.

Intimidation.

Until the scheme has been put to the test, he preferred to be silent as to how the average Chinese contractor would fall in with the idea of a commercial association. This much he was certain of—that with education, foreign prestige and persistent encouragement, the Hongkong labourer could be made to cast off the shackles of intimidation, the curse of unionism without the members realising what unionism means.

About another and equally important side to the question, he was not so sanguine. His view was based on Kipling's lines:—"For East is East and West is West, and never the twain shall meet." East in the Chinese colloquial is indicative of the employer and West of the employee, it being a

common practice to designate master and man as the East party and West party.

By no stretch of the imagination could he see the capitalist and the labourer sitting together at a round table in conference to end industrial disputes. The object might be achieved by both sides depositing substantial deposits but on what basis were the guarantees of *bona fides* to be fixed?

Europeans Building Operations.

Warning to the subject, the speaker mentioned an alleged growing aversion among Chinese contractors from Europeans entering the field of active building operations and the dislike of native workmen of the introduction of modern machinery.

Instancing a machine for crushing stone, he said that all Chinese stone-workers in Hongkong preferred to do everything by hand as most of the machines were so apt to get out of order. It was the same with a device for mixing the ingredients of concrete. In this connection he thought that all the educational benefits in Mr. Ede's scheme—with the exception of the University courses—might not be appreciated as it would be difficult for the men to forego the modes of their forefathers.

They might be Chinese, he thought, who would characterise the project as another European controlled contracting concern which had increased competition and competed successfully by virtue of large capital and possibly, by the advent of more up-to-date methods.

A point which Chinese did not understand was how European firms managed to underbid for large contracts when they had to carry overhead expenses for technical and skilled non-native services; here the Chinese had big advantage which the speaker thought must be mitigated by the better results attained through having expert supervisors.

KOWLOON BRANCH.

BANK OF EAST ASIA'S WISDOM.

CATERING FOR MAINLAND.

HON. MR. CHOW SHOU-SON IN HAPPY VEIN.

To celebrate the opening of their new Kowloon Branch at Nos. 644-646, Canton Road, Yau-mat, the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., were "At Home" at noon to-day to a number of business men and well-wishers, including several ladies.

The building, which is situated in close proximity to the Yau-mat Police Station, comprises five houses built of reinforced concrete and guaranteed to be fire-proof. The architects are Messrs. Little, Adams & Wood. Two of the ground floors are fitted up in modern style for the actual business of the bank, the three upper floors serving as residential quarters for the staff, while a part of the premises will be let out as offices. Everything necessary to ensure the safety of the money and securities which may be entrusted to the bank has been embodied in the new building. An added security is a system of electric alarms, connected with the Yau-mat Police Station, which are available for use in an emergency. A safe-deposit vault is to be added to a side of the building, the plans for which are now in the hands of the architects.

The management of the new branch is in the hands of Mr. Li Tung, who has been for a number of years an accountant at the head office, and in addition possesses considerable commercial experience.

Welcome To Guests.

The building was decorated with flags and bunting, and the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son, attended by his other co-directors, and Mr. Kan Tong-po, the chief manager, were personally present to welcome the guests and to dispense hospitality.

The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son, in welcoming the guests, said that he was not there to make a speech, but merely to thank the ladies and gentlemen, on behalf of himself and his fellow directors, for their presence. Continuing, Mr. Chow Shou-son said that the bank was established five years ago in the course of which several branches have been opened at Shanghai, Canton, Saigon, and other places, and the Kowloon establishment was a small one which they were opening that day. The main object in opening the branch, the speaker said, was to extend the activities of the bank, and secondly to meet the convenience of the business people and residents on the Kowloon side. The latter was recognised by the bank, and the directors lost no time in meeting it. Speaking of the structure itself, and addressing the ladies in particular, Mr. Chow Shou-son said that they need have no hesitation in placing their bracelets and other valuables in the custody of the bank, the safety of which, he said, was fully assured by the Police Station beside it. Besides valuables, the Police Officers would have some spare cash at the end of pay day, which he hoped their wives would see was placed in the safe deposit vault which will shortly be available. Even those contemplating matrimony were advised by the speaker to place their savings with the bank until the day came round. Mr. Chow Shou-son thanked the gathering again for their presence, and resumed his seat amidst applause. The proceedings terminated with the firing of a string of crackers.

CHINESE WIDOW'S RIGHTS.

CHINA'S JUDGES OF PRESENT AND PAST.

MR. POTTER RAISES NICE POINT.

Ancient Law And Modern Ways.

This morning's proceedings in the big will case which is occupying the attention of Sir Henry Gwynne Gollan in the Supreme Court were chiefly notable for the suggestion put forward by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. that the interpretation placed upon Chinese law to give the widow of a deceased Chinese absolute right over his property was that of young judges, appointed since the Revolution and that it was not the true interpretation.

The test case is being made one between Chan Shun-cho, plaintiff, and Chak Hok-ting who are daughter-in-law and father-in-law, respectively. The application is for grant of letters of administration in regard to the estate of Chak Chiu-ming, a deceased Hongkong medical practitioner.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. J. H. Gordon Leask, appears for plaintiff and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., instructed by Mr. H. L. Denny, for the defendant.

Mr. Jenkin made application when the court sat this morning for leave to make an addition to his opening. He stressed the supreme importance of the case and said that whatever way His Lordship found the result would be extremely important and interesting. His Lordship held that the addition should be made at the conclusion of the hearing of evidence for the application.

Ching Dynasty Law.

The examination of Fung Szun, senior advocate practising before the High Court of Canton and in the Courts of the province of Kwangtung, was continued.

The evidence he had given as to

the absolute right of the Chinese widow in regard to her husband's property was based, he said on the law of the Ching dynasty which had been upheld in courts since the Revolution.

Cross-examined by Mr. Potter, witness said that the courts at the present day consisted entirely of judges appointed under the Republican régime. A number of them were younger men than those of the old days and were trained, some in Europe, some in America and some in China. There had been no change in the code of civil law although representations for alteration had been made. The civil law was as it was when it originated a thousand years ago under the Tong dynasty.

Mr. Potter: It has been altered and brought up to date from time to time by Imperial edicts.

Witness: Yes.

Mr. Potter: There is no mention of the powers you refer to in the commentaries on Chinese law and I put it to you that that interpretation is the production of the Republic of China still in its teens.

Witness: That is not so.

Under further cross-examination witness said that it was quite correct to say that the unit which was the foundation of Chinese society was the family.

Mr. Potter then read several extracts from the Tai Ching Lu Li containing the "fundamental supplementary law" of the Ching dynasty dealing with the position of the head of the family and his powers in respect of the members. Mr. Potter claimed that the whole idea of Chinese law was the preservation of the family.

PARTNERS' DISPUTE.

HONGKONG SOAP FIRM'S AFFAIRS.

ALLEGATIONS OF FORGERY.

Allegations of forgery were made in the Summary Court this morning by Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., at the continued hearing of the case in which Mr. H. S. Fitzroy, on behalf of the Fok Shing Lee firm, asked for a declaration that Lau Ping-nam was a partner in the firm of Mee Sang Soap Factory Company, now in liquidation.

The allegations concerned the partnership book in which the defendant is stated to be a partner. Mr. Alabaster produced a copy book, and said that all it wanted was the names to be filled in to make it identical with that one.

Two of the acknowledged partners of the firm gave evidence this morning. One of them said that the defendant was not paid money by the firm. He worked in its interests and he was to get a bonus when it made a profit. Witness admitted, under cross-examination, that the defendant had paid for the documents to be drawn up under which an appeal was made on behalf of the firm for additional funds of \$21,500.

Another partner was called and said definitely that the defendant was a partner. Asked if there was any truth in the suggestion put forward by Mr. Alabaster as to there being a conspiracy to extort money from the defendant, witness said that there was not. Asked why he had not paid any of the money for which judgment had been given against the firm, witness said that the defendant was the one who looked after the money.

MATRIMONIAL QUARREL.

BARBER ORDERED TO PAY ALIMONY.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, before Mr. N. L. Smith, a Chinese barber was charged with failing to provide for his wife.

Inspector Blackman told the Court that the husband and wife had a quarrel last September, in the course of which the woman was struck with a Chinese pillow. As a result of injuries received from this attack, the woman was in hospital for one week. On bringing the matter to the notice of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, she was asked to take the matter to Court.

His Worship ordered a sum of \$10 to be paid by the defendant to his wife every month.

His many friends will regret to hear that Mr. H. W. Chaney, of Messrs. Palmer and Turner, is liable to be in hospital for some weeks as the result of his motor-cycle accident during the week-end. It has since been ascertained that one of his knees has been injured rather seriously, but he is getting along as well as can be expected.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

November 26.—Coronet Theatre; "The Reckless Age."

November 26.—Star Theatre; "Little Old New York."

November 26.—World Theatre; Diana Karenne in "The Martyr Queen."

November 26.—Queen's Theatre Alice Lake in "The Golden Gift."

November 26.—Lantern show for Children at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

November 27.—Musical at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

December 19.—Children's Xmas Party, at Helena May Institute, 4 p.m.

SPORT.

November 29.—Hongkong Jockey Club's seventh extra race meeting.

LAND SALE.

December 1.—Two lots of Crown Land at P.W.D. Offices, 3 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

November 27.—Lammert Bros. at H.K. & K.W. and Godown Co., Ltd., West Point, antimony ore, 11 a.m.

November 27.—Lammert Bros. at Nam Wo Hong's Godown No. 152, Connaught Road, West; 81 bags of white rice meal, and 18 bags white rice, 11.30 a.m.

November 28.—Lammert Bros. at Godown No. 18, H.K. & K.W. and Godown Co., Ltd., Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, miscellaneous goods, 10.30 a.m.

November 29.—Lammert Bros. at Sale Room, hand ice machine, etc., 11 a.m.

OTHER MEETINGS.

November 26.—Usual Public Lecture at the H.K.L.T. Society, 16, Queen's Road, 5.45 p.m.

November 26.—General meeting of members of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders in the Institute, 6 p.m.

December 23.—General meeting of shareholders of the Rah Syndicate Ltd., Prince's Building, Chater Road, noon.

SALE OF WORK.

December 4.—Sale of Work, in the Compounds of Union Church, 3 p.m.

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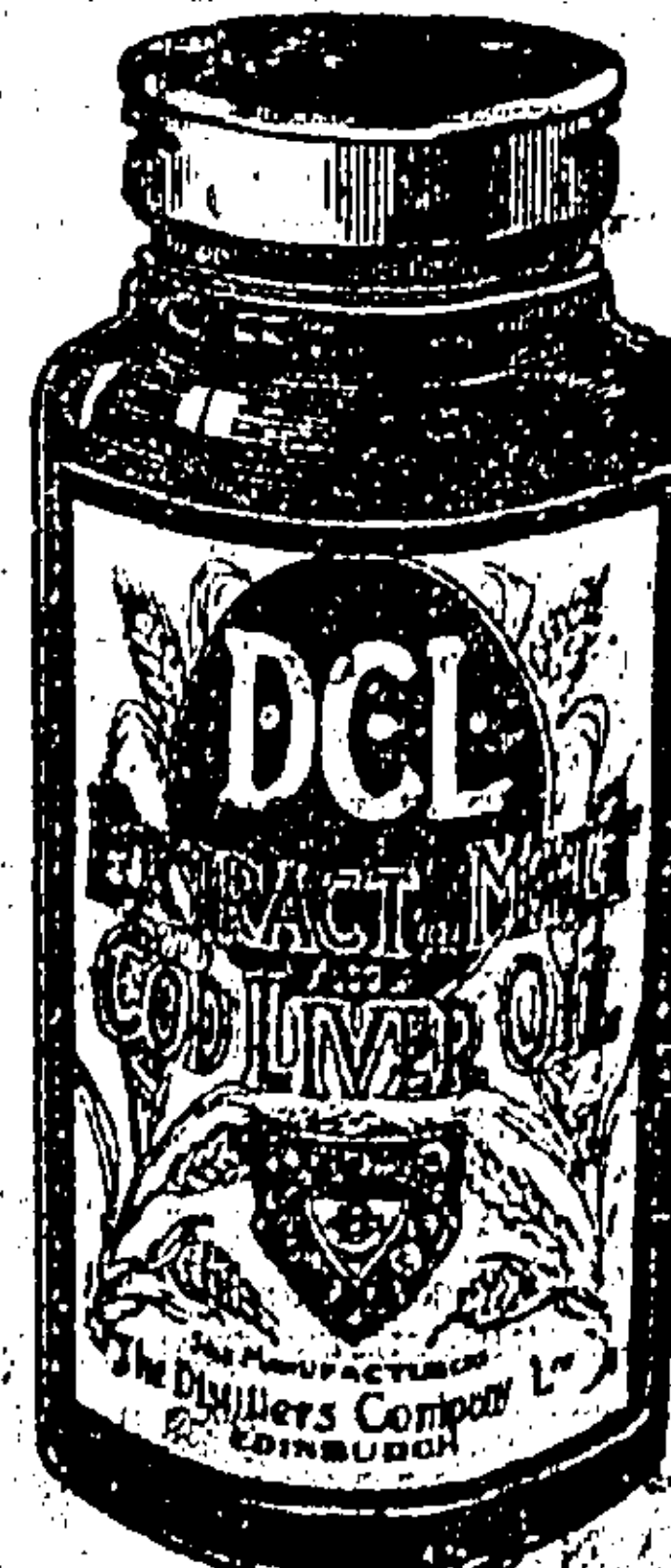
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PRIZE DAY.

ANNUAL EVENT AT VICTORIA SCHOOL.

A SUCCESSFUL YEAR.

Prizes won during the year at the Victoria British School were given away by Lady Severn this morning.

Mr. E. Dalphs, Inspector of English Schools, and a gathering of parents were also present for the distribution.

In the hall were displayed needlework and drawings, the work of the pupils, which won the keen appreciation of the visitors.

The proceedings commenced with a programme of singing and dancing in which the children showed results of careful training.

Annual Report.

Presenting her report for 1924, Mrs. E. M. Clark, Headmistress, said:—

There have been 206 school days during the year. The maximum enrolment being 70 and the average attendance of 55.7 until Easter; and 50.4 since. 24 pupils were transferred to the New Quarry Bay School at Easter.

There have been several changes in the staff during the year. Miss Cotton replaced Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Weston left to become Headmistress of Quarry Bay School taking Miss Kennedy with her.

The general health of the pupils has been good. There have been some malarial subjects and lately a few cases of whooping cough.

The work generally has been satisfactory. Some attempt has been made to encourage the children to work individually and under Mrs. Lambert, classes 6 and 7 have had opportunities of showing their initiative and have become more self-reliant and self-controlled.

The tone of class 8 under Miss Cotton has improved since the beginning of the year and the children are taking a keener and more intelligent interest in their work.

Miss Dyer has visited the school for drill, games and hygiene and the children thoroughly enjoy her lessons.

Madame Mousson has taken French with classes 6 and 7.

Each child has had a small garden and the perseverance and interest shown by the children have given the staff much satisfaction.

Boys of the school have started football and Mr. R. B. Wood, a parent of two of the boys, has interested himself in, and helped the team.

I should like to end this report by thanking the members of my staff for their co-operation and enthusiasm during the year.

At the conclusion of the report, Mrs. Clark extended a cordial wel-

"APOEY" VICTIM.

LIKELY TO RECOVER.

On inquiry at the Government Civil Hospital this afternoon, the "China Mail" was courteously informed that the young Fukiense woman who, travelling as a first class passenger on the s.s. "Apoei" from Saigon, was savagely attacked by a deportee, is making satisfactory progress and expected to recover.

An account of the attack appears elsewhere in this issue.

WRECKAGE.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM REPORTED.

On Sunday afternoon the s.s. "Lok Sun" was in Lat. 22. 42' N., Long. 116. 5 1/2' E. when there was sighted wreckage which appeared to be the roof of a deck-house with heavy timbers attached, just awash.

The s.s. "Apoei" reports having sighted an abandoned junk in Lat. 21. 24' N., Long. 113. 37' E.

come to parents to make a casual or special visit to the school whenever they chose, so as to see just what work was being done.

Prize List.

Lady Severn then gave away the prizes. The winners were:

Scholarships.

Class 6—Betty Moss, Class 7—John Hamer.

Prizes.

Class 6 (1) Alec Taylor—Initiative, (2) Betty Moss—Concentration, (3) Molly Brown—Application. Special Progress Prize—Reggie Wood. Class 7 (1) Phyllis Cossart—Concentration, (2) Sidney Fowler—Application. Special Prize for French—John Hamer. Class 8 (1) Betty Cossart—Initiative, (2) Ina Mill—Concentration, (3) Joan Duckworth—Application. Infants—James Clark, Mary Taylor, Arthur Wood, Ernie Fowler, Alex Hoos, John Duckworth, Jean Clark and Dorothy Moss. All for Progress.

A very small girl then handed Lady Severn a basket of flowers. Cheers were then called for Lady Severn, Mr. Dalphs and the School.

Lady Severn invited the pupils to attend the lantern slide show at the Helena May Institute this afternoon when they would have an opportunity of seeing what the M.O.L. and Waifs and Strays Society were doing for poor little English children at Home.

The singing of the National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close.

23-TON ROCK.

CARELESS CONTRACTOR FINED.

Lok Young-shing, the lessee of a quarry on the Tai Po Road, was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with neglecting to take proper precautions to prevent fragments of rock from being thrown about while blasting.

Mr. S. A. Roberts, of the P.W.D., stated that no precautions appear to have been taken to control a huge boulder, weighing about 23 tons, before the charge was fired. The boulder fell into the road, causing considerable damage to the road, and witness stated that it was fortunate that the rock stopped in its downward career before reaching Castle Peak Road.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$15, and further ordered the defendant to pay the cost of the repairs to the road which were now being undertaken by the Government.

Sang Lung, building contractor, of 14, Mow Lan Street, was charged at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with using improper materials, namely welded iron bars, in the building of seven houses at Jordan Road. The defendant pleaded guilty, and was fined \$25.

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Of the many elaborate film reproductions of the French Revolution which have been submitted to the public within recent years, this production is the most notable; the gorgeousness, stupendousness and sheer artistry in direction baffled description. It is a picture that is incomparable from many angles of production.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A visit was paid yesterday by four robbers, one of them carrying a revolver, to an upper floor at No. 235, Laichikok Road. An alarm being raised by a woman, the robbers took to their heels.

At a public meeting held at the Empire Theatre, in Penang, it was unanimously decided to form a local Ratepayers' Association, its operations to be confined to the Municipal limits of Georgetown, Penang.

The Chinese contingent of the Hongkong delegation to the British Empire Exhibition, who were expected to arrive in Hong Kong to-day, are not likely to be here until Friday. They are on the Blue Funnel steamer "Telecom."

It is understood that the great success of H.M.S. "Diomedes" Fancy Dress Carnival at the R.N. Canteen Theatre has encouraged the promoter to further efforts, and a similar affair is being arranged. The probable date will be December 1.

There will be a Musicales at the Helena May Institute for Members and their friends tomorrow, Thursday, November 27, at 5.30 p.m. Tickets, which should be booked in advance, are obtainable from the Secretary, 50 cents each. Tea will be served from 4.30.

An elephant was shot recently on Sungai Batang Rubber Estate by an estate employee. As these animals were really becoming a pest, steps had been taken to scare them from the Sandakan peninsula, but intelligent anticipation on the part of the elephants has caused them to decamp.

The return of cases of notifiable disease which occurred in the Colony during the week ended the 22nd inst. shows eight cases of enteric fever, six of which were Chinese. The other two were British and Indian. There were five deaths. One death from diphtheria, one from influenza and two cases of cerebro-spinal fever (one fatal) were also reported. All these were Chinese. There was one Chinese case of diphtheria reported during Monday.

The report of the M.O.H. for yesterday contains three cases of diphtheria. The patients are Chinese.

A case of cerebral haemorrhage on board the "President Jackson," from Seattle via Shanghai, has been reported.

The many friends of Mr. E. W. Hamilton will be pleased to learn that he is out of hospital and able to get about. It will be recalled that he received a nasty blow in the face while battling on the H. K. C. ground last Saturday.

A large quantity of opium and other drugs, seized by the staff of the Paoshan District Magistrate's yamen during the past few months, was burnt at the yamen in the presence of a representative of the Civil Governor of Kiangsu.

A Japanese named Fumio Ajiro has been arrested and handed over to his Consular authorities in Shanghai on a charge of unlicensed dealing in arms. At his residence in Woosung Road the police, it is reported, seized five pistols and 475 rounds of .32 ammunition.

The "Belgenland," of the Red Star Line, was at Plymouth in mail months, for the last time for many months, as after her next trip to New York she sets out from that port on a world pleasure cruise, which will extend over 133 days. There will be 500 tourists on board, who, as we have previously mentioned, will proceed to Cuba, and thence through the Panama Canal to Los Angeles and San Francisco. Five days at sea, with Christmas aboard ship, and Hawaii is reached, thence the ship proceeds to Japan, Korea, China, Hongkong, the Philippines, Java, Singapore, Calcutta, Ceylon, Bombay, Egypt and Palestine, Naples, Monaco, and Gibraltar, before returning to New York on April 16. Captain J. Bradshaw, the commodore of the Red Star fleet, will be in command of the "Belgenland," whilst Mr. "Joe" Caporin is the genial purser. The cruise of the "Belgenland" will involve nearly 30,000 miles steaming and the visit to 60 cities and towns of 14 different countries.

Last night the light on the outer beacon at Matto harbour was noticed to have gone out and the glass had to be used to find the beacon.

News was received from Koepong, Java, that a Miss Lander, aged 19, was stabbed to death by an alleged kidnapper. The murderer surrendered to the police and is now in the civil prison awaiting trial.

Two severe squalls, accompanied by heavy rain, thunder and lightning, broke over the town of Sandakan on Sunday evening, October 28, the rain on both occasions falling throughout the night. It is interesting to note that the temperature fell to 67½ Fahr. on both evenings, being the lowest recorded during the last three years.

Mr. A. C. Davis, charged in the U. S. Consular Court at Shanghai with recklessly driving his motor car and running down a ricksha in Nanking Road, was discharged by Commissioner Linton, there being insufficient evidence to convict defendant of the charge, though the Commissioner remarked, there might be grounds for bringing a civil action against the defendant for damage done to the ricksha.

The Chinese Press learns that large numbers of Nanking residents are bringing their belongings to Shanghai, fearing, it is said, that Marshal Chi Shih-yuan will engage in battle, now that a "military" government has been established by him and a number of his colleagues in the Chihli party, and that the enemy's troops will wipe out the city once they have entered it.

Lucio Torralba, former book-keeper of the Yokohama Specie Bank, who created considerable sensation in the Philippines several months ago through alleged embezzlement of nearly half a million pesos, was sentenced by Judge Diaz to one month imprisonment and to pay P1,000 to Levy Hermanos for violation of the chattel mortgage law. Torralba was prosecuted criminally for the disposing of a Hudson sedan which he had mortgaged to Levy Hermanos to secure a debt.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

The death has occurred of Mr. George Shaw Taylor, who was formerly agent in Colombo of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.

Passengers who left by the E. & A. s.s. "Eastern" for Australia via ports included Dr. Percival A. Dingle, Mrs. Inglis and family, Mr. A. Commons.

The Culver City studio announce that Thomas Ince, widely known movie producer, died on November 17 at his home in Benedict Canyon, Hollywood foothills, of angina pectoris.

The death is announced at Kobe at the ripe age of 80 of Mrs. H. A. Smith, the mother of Mrs. Devenish. Mrs. Smith, who was born in Scotland, came to Japan some 30 years ago, and had lived all the time with her daughter.

Commander Haruo Kitaoka, former Japanese naval agent in Shanghai, who has recently been appointed Chief of Staff attached to the Japanese Yangtze Patrol, has arrived in Shanghai from Japan to succeed Commander T. Sugisaka, who has been ordered to join the Naval General Staff Office in Tokyo.

The marriage of Miss Alberta W. Pearce, only daughter of the late Edward Albert Pearce of Melbourne, Australia and Mrs. G. Stanley Lovett, Singapore, to Mr. Robert Virgilus Walton, only son of the late George Combes Walton and Mrs. Walton of Augusta, Georgia, U.S.A., will be celebrated at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, on Thursday, December 18.

The host of admirers of Mile. Lucy de Shelmo, the Pavlova of the East, will regret to hear that she will not be able to dance probably for another fortnight, owing to a painful accident. During a dance at the Plaza Hotel on November 19, she had to do a difficult pirouette, in which her partner aided her balance by holding one hand. She performed the evolution perfectly once but when repeating it too much weight was thrown on the middle finger of her hand and the bone snapped. Though suffering intense pain, she bravely finished the dance, but collapsed on reaching her dressing room.

Mr. W. L. Conlay, the late Commissioner of Police, F.M.S., who retired recently, has consulted a specialist since his arrival in England. He has been advised that his general health is normal. He is now working at the Malay States Agency.

The successor to Dr. J. W. Ross, Canadian Trade Commissioner to China, whose retirement on account of his having reached the age limit of the Service has been announced, will be Lieut. Col. M. Cosgrave, who has been in charge of the Canadian Exhibition at Wembley. Lieut. Col. Cosgrave is now on his way to Shanghai from London and will probably arrive at Shanghai about December 10.

Sir Archibald and Lady Edmonstone intend wintering in the East, and will be starting shortly for Hongkong. Lady Edmonstone was a lady-in-waiting to the late Princess Christian, and Sir Archibald a groom-in-waiting to King Edward. Their elder son, Mr. Charles Edmonstone, was married to Miss Gwendolyn Field, Countess Beatty's niece, last year, and they live at Duntreath Castle, the family seat in Blane Valley, which Sir Archibald handed over to his heir.

The following are among the passengers who arrived yesterday by the Admiral Oriental liner "President Jackson" from Seattle and ports:—Mr. C. Horr, a business man of Seattle, who intends making his home in China; Mr. M. Joddell, also of Seattle, well known in the lumber trade, joining an English sawmill firm in Borneo; Mr. A. Lalnel, manager of Mac's Cafeteria, returning after the opening of the new Majestic Hotel in Shanghai; Mr. Ng Bock Leong and Miss D. Leong. Mr. Leong is a well known Chinese doctor of Chicago and is over to visit relatives in South China and to settle family estate affairs. Both were born in the United States. Mr. E. Levy, who is seeking a congenial winter climate; Lieut. C. C. Nutt, who was in charge of the American World Flight arrangements in Japan and is now on his way to take up duty in Manila; Mr. Wayne Pierson and family. Mr. Pierson represents the United Artists Corporation in the Orient and is on business bent for Hongkong and Manila.

Mr. George Walker, the discoverer of the main reef at Witwatersrand, died at Johannesburg, aged 72, in very poor circumstances. Almost his only asset was an allowance made to him by the Chamber of Mines. A native of Wigan, he went to Africa as a boy. He first worked on diamond diggings, and was building a house at Langlaate, near where Johannesburg now stands in 1886, when he struck a reef which, on panning, yielded gold. A great rush of prospectors followed, resulting in tracing the whole line of the reef and the formation of mining companies whose capital and assets now run into many millions.

The memory of Dr. Elsie Inglis, the Scottish woman doctor, who organized the Scottish Women's Hospitals during the war, is to be perpetuated by the endowment of at least four beds in the obstetric department of the Royal Free Hospital, Gray's Inn Road, N.W., where Dr. Inglis was a student. One bed, which is named "Macedonian Expeditionary Force Bed," has already been fully subscribed, and only £150 is now required to complete the endowment of the second, which is to be known as the "Dr. Elsie Inglis Bed." Money for the other two beds is being raised by the Girton and Newnham Unit of the Scottish Women's Hospitals and by the London Unit of the same organization. Altogether to complete the endowment of the three beds £1,800 is required.

At the wedding at St. John's Cathedral yesterday of Mr. James William Beattie and Miss Amelia Frances Frow (a report of which appeared in yesterday's issue) the following amongst many others were present:—Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Buchanan, Mrs. and Miss Goodall, Mr. and Mrs. Hunt, Misses Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. Budden, Miss Budden, Mr. and Mrs. Lockhart, Mr. and Mrs. Kerrison, Mr. and Mrs. Harper, Mrs. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. R. Marks, Chief Preventive Officer Clarke and Mrs. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. W. Knight, Mr. and Mrs. F. Langman, Mr. and Mrs. A. Grinnell, Mr. and Mrs. A. Marks, Messrs. L. Whitt, Hindle and Burden, C. P. O. Stark and Gerson, Mr. Warrant, Officer Henderson, Messrs. O'Neill, Mr. J. Pearce, Messrs. Thompson, Vardon, J. W. Brown.

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EGYPT AND SUDAN.

FRENCH AND ITALIAN COMMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

CAIRO, November 25.

The Chamber has formulated a protest to the parliament of the world and the League of Nations against the British action. It reaffirms *inter alia* the complete independence of Egypt and the Sudan, which countries must be regarded as integral, not permitting separation. It declares that despite Egypt's apologies and regrets at the deplorable crime, Britain has seized the occasion to carry out an imperialistic policy, counting on force to avenge herself on a peaceful country. British action ignores the constitution and attacks the agricultural life of the country. The British demands are not related to the crime and are unprecedented in history. The League should intervene on behalf of a peaceful and helpless nation.

French Press Opinion.

PARIS, November 25.

The Havas Agency states that the consensus of the comments of the press emphasises the impossibility of French intervention in Egypt though submission of the points at issue to the League of Nations is largely advocated. "L'Ere Nouvelle" says that even Mussolini recognised that the case of Corfu was within the competency of the Ambassadors of the Conference. "L'Oeuvre" says if the principles of the League are trodden under foot the League will crash down amidst ribald laughter and Britain will have to shoulder the responsibility of its grotesque failure. "L'Avenir" declares that Britain is seizing on a route to India and pledges similar to those to which she objected in the case of the Rhine and the Ruhr. "La Journée Industrielle" says that in speaking to Egypt Britain is telling the whole of Islam that she intends to impose the recognition of her power. "Reuter" says several papers, while admitting the impossibility of foreign intervention, hope that the Anglo-Egyptian conflict can be settled by the League of Nations. The Paris town council has unanimously passed a motion in this sense.

Italian Press Opinions.

ROME, November 25.

The Anglo Egyptian crisis is much commented on. The "Messaggero" typifies the comment, comparing the situation with the Italo-Greek crisis and declaring that the Foreign Office, the year after Corfu incident, acknowledged that when national honour was involved satisfaction was only obtainable from national strength.

Situation Improved.

CAIRO, November 25.

The atmosphere has improved. British troops again paraded the city this morning. Most of the students are at the schools but are not working. The situation seems generally to be approaching normal. The new Cabinet is remarkable inasmuch as it includes representatives of Islam, Christianity and Judaism and it was formed very rapidly. Ziaur Pasha was surprised at being summoned to the Palace, nevertheless he completed the task in six hours.

OPIUM CONFERENCE.

AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE IS REACHED.

(Reuter's Service.)

GENEVA, November 25.

The first Opium Conference re-met and discussed the question of import certificates in the course of a lengthy debate, wherein Sir Malcolm Delevingne, Mr. Sugimura, and Mr. Campbell were the principal speakers. Most of the old arguments were reiterated. Finally the Conference interrupted its sitting to enable the British and Japanese delegates to confer privately, with a view to reaching agreement, and, after nearly two hours, it was announced amid applause that agreement had been reached in principle, but not as regards the actual wording of the article. The Conference thereupon adjourned until next week.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Harry E. Stevens, U.S. Vice-Consul, formerly stationed in the Peking Legation, has been transferred to Canton.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The O.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" from Hongkong on Nov. 26, arrived at Vancouver on Nov. 24. The P. & O. s.s. "Bambay" left Bombay for this port yesterday at 7 p.m. and is due here on Nov. 28 at about 7 a.m.

WHO WHO.

LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Captain J. K. Clark, of the "Sunning," is on reserve. Captain A. R. McEachran, from reserve, has gone master, "Sunning."

Mr. E. J. Fenn, chief officer, "Chusan," is on reserve. Mr. A. Cobb, sup'y second officer, "Chihli," has gone sup'y second officer, "Kinyuan."

Mr. D. V. Duncanson has been appointed second officer, "Kueichow."

Mr. J. Whyte, second officer, "Kueichow" is on reserve.

Captain R. Hughes, from leave, has gone master, "Esang."

Captain T. S. King, of the "Esang," has gone master, "Lien-shing."

Mr. E. V. Bishop, acting master, "Lien-shing," is on reserve.

Mr. D. G. Cairns, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Suisang."

Mr. A. Sinclair, chief officer, "Suisang," is on reserve.

Mr. R. H. Rule, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Lorestan."

Mr. C. W. Robson, chief officer, "Lorestan," has gone chief officer, "Seistan."

Mr. H. C. Everett, chief officer, "Seistan," has gone chief officer, "Arabestan."

Mr. W. Pottle, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Onice."

Mr. A. W. Best, chief officer, "Onice," is on reserve.

Captain W. S. Turnbull, of the "Haifong," has gone chief officer, "Haifong."

Mr. J. E. Drummond, acting chief officer, "Haifong," has gone second officer, same ship.

Mr. P. W. Grierson, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Sanning."

Mr. J. McN. Thompson, chief officer, "Sanning," is on leave.

Mr. P. C. Hutchence, from reserve, has gone master, "Kungon."

Captain J. Anderson, of the "Kungon," is on reserve.

Mr. J. W. Vick, from reserve, has gone chief officer, "Kungon."

Mr. W. B. Patey, second officer, "Haiching," has gone second officer, "Haiching."

Mr. W. H. Watson, second officer, "Haiching," has gone third officer, same ship.

Mr. E. T. Evans, third officer, "Haiching," is on reserve.

Mr. W. B. Richardson, third officer, "Haifong," has gone third officer, "Haining"—Shipping and Engineering.

"THIEF OF BAGDAD."

CORONET THEATRE'S FILM FANTASY.

What is the story of "The Thief of Bagdad" which the Coronet Theatre is to show on Friday next? A thieving slave of the bazaar who falls in love with a beautiful princess and finds that his own happiness is the one thing that he cannot steal. He leaps from adventure to adventure; from Bagdad to the home of the Old Man of the Sea, from the Valley of the Monsters to the Citadel of the Moon. He climbs wondrous stairways and skims over palace floors, jet black and shining like glass. On every set in this beautiful fairy story, the poet in Fairbanks has left his mark. "The Thief of Bagdad" is lovely and those who will undoubtedly crowd the Coronet during these next few days will agree. Fairbanks put all his big fortune into the production of this film and staked his big reputation into the bargain. He has won through. Shown recently at Drury Lane, the critics waxed eloquent. . . . one of the films that in one's memory tops this year and a year behind. It is the first real fairy story to be shown on an English screen. . . . the pure spirit of fairy lore. . . . And much else beside in praise of a picture that is in the front of its class. Fairbanks' name is sufficient to attract crowds. When it is known that he has gone outside his usual self, curiosity will be aroused and his many followers will want to see how "Doug" comports himself as a "Thief." No disappointment awaits them. The Little House that shows the big pictures once again justifies its slogan.

CREDITORS MEETING.

PEOPLE'S SAVING CORP. IN LIQUIDATION.

At a meeting of the creditors of the People's Saving Corporation Ltd., held at China Buildings at noon today, the appointment of the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall as liquidator was confirmed and the meeting signified that it did not think that a joint liquidator would be necessary or a committee of inspection.

Mr. Kotewall said that a distribution to debenture holders would be made shortly together with interest at 7 per cent and later to the other shareholders with interest at 5 per cent. Any surplus would be distributed on a *pro rata* basis, said Mr. Kotewall.

HAZARDOUS JOURNEYS.

RAILWAY TRAINS THAT HAVE LOST THEMSELVES.

A railway official, writing in the "Evening Standard," says:—

The outcry against the doubtful "improvements" effected by the Southern Railway will remind many travellers of the hazardous train journeys undertaken by them in their youth, not so many years ago. Even the shortest train journey would more likely than not come to an end in a deserted spot miles away from the scheduled destination.

Cheney excursions—one of the earliest innovations of the big railway companies—were particularly liable to finish in this exciting fashion. One August bank holiday a well-packed train steamed out of Chelmsford in the early evening bound for Ipswich, about 30 miles away. At midnight, long after the train was due to arrive, a crowd, some hundreds strong, had invaded the station at Ipswich in the hope of obtaining news of missing relatives and friends.

At last it was decided to send a light engine on a tour of investigation. As the telegraph was not installed at that time, this was the only possible method of tracing lost trains. All Ipswich turned out to see the rescue engine start off on its adventure, and cheered it to the echo. At daybreak the excursion train was discovered in a siding near Bury St. Edmunds, with the passengers thoroughly exhausted and the driver in a drunken sleep.

The absence of signal boxes was responsible for many amusing mistakes. On one occasion a party of clergymen had engaged a special train to take them to a conference at Exeter. On the same day, by an unfortunate coincidence a number of publicans were travelling from Bristol to meet some colleagues at a little town in Somerset.

At Taunton the switchman turned the clergymen on to the wrong line, with the result that they were received later in the day by a crowd of Somerset publicans complete with brass band and banners advertising the glory of alcohol. History does not record what happened to the belated publicans.

Excursion trains were run by most of the companies on the slightest pretext—they were, in fact, the only means of making the railways show a profit. One could travel 50 miles or so to see a public bazaar, for instance, at an inclusive fare of 2s. 6d. As the trains almost invariably lost themselves on the return journey the passengers certainly had their money's worth in excitement. The time-tables of that period only succeeded in making the confusion worse confounded. Dead animals on the line would delay the train for an hour, perhaps a few miles further on the guard would have to get out to drive away a flock of wandering sheep, the engine jibbed at every incline, and generally speaking the driver didn't care very much if he reached his destination to-day or to-morrow.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"GOLDEN GIFT."

Alice Lake in her latest starring picture for Metro, "The Golden Gift," a Maxwell Karger production for Metro which was shown yesterday at the Queen's Theatre, gives one of the most powerful dramatic portrayals of her screen career. The story is one which holds the interest throughout. It pictures the adventures of a young singer who, deserted by her husband, places her child with strangers; then, through her singing in a border cabaret, she starts on a career which carries her to grand opera. With success assured the child re-enters her life, and the plans so carefully made are unexpectedly changed. Assisting Miss Lake in the notable cast are John Bowers as leading man, Harriett Hammond, Joseph Swickard, Bridgetta Clark, Louis Dumar, Geoffrey Webb and Camilla Clark.

"The Golden Gift" will be shown for the last time to-day. To-morrow James Oliver Curwood's thrilling story of the frozen north "The Golden Snare," produced by First National Pictures, will be shown for the first time here.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Cargo arrived per s.s. "Ranch" consisting unaltered after Nov-25-24, will be subject to rent. Agents, Gibb, Livingston & Co. Ltd. Cargo arrived per s.s. "Nippon" consisting unaltered after Nov-25-24, will be subject to rent. Agents, Gibb, Livingston & Co. Ltd. Cargo arrived per s.s. "Wentworth" consisting unaltered after Nov-25-24, will be subject to rent. Agents, Gibb, Livingston & Co. Ltd. Cargo arrived per s.s. "Wentworth" consisting unaltered after Nov-25-24, will be subject to rent. Agents, Gibb, Livingston & Co. Ltd.

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DRIVER AND ASSISTANT FINED.

ARMITICE DAY INCIDENT.

The driver of the motor lorry which crashed through a wall at A. King's slayway at Causeway Bay on the morning of November 11, incidentally causing serious injuries to a pedestrian, and the man with him were again brought up at the Central Magistrate's court this morning.

It was first thought that the injured man would not live, but he is reported to be progressing satisfactorily. The man was carried by the impact of the lorry right through the wall, and in some remarkable manner was not killed on the spot.

One of the drivers was charged with driving without a licence, and the other with aiding and abetting him and with taking the lorry out without the permission of the owners, the P.W.D. Each man was fined \$24, the man charged with the second offence receiving an additional \$1 fine.

SALVED AT LAST.

"HEUNGSHAN" WRECK PARTLY REFLOATED.

Months of persevering work by the successful Chinese bidders have resulted in a partial refloating of the wreck of the well-known river steamer "Heungshan," which ran a ground in foggy weather and had to be beached.

Hitherto the bow has been up against the left bank of the Canton River near Whampoa. The contractors have now freed the bow which is clear and turned towards the stream.

Only the stern remains to be floated. According to one source it is only a matter of weeks before the ship will be brought back to Hongkong to be overhauled at Taikoo Dock.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTURES.

Per P. M. s.s. "President Cleveland" on Nov. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. D. Bradley, Capt. and Mrs. Geo. Anderson, Mrs. Clara S. Bettman, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Brown, Miss Janet E. Brown, Mr. W. H. Babbitt, Mr. and Mrs. Russell M. Bowman, Mr. Roy M. Barcal, Mr. Clarence W. Cummings, Mr. Thos. J. Considine, Mrs. Dorothy H. Carstaphen, Master Bavors J. Carstaphen, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Dodge, Mrs. Laura V. K. Dare, Mrs. Elsie E. Edmondson, Mrs. Adelaide R. Goodkind, Mr. L. Monte Griswold, Mrs. Ira W. Harrison, Mrs. Chow Kwo Hsien, Miss Nancy Chow, Master Thomas Chow, Master Philip Chow, Mr. and Mrs. Willard P. Hawley, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Heath, Master Chas. F. Heath, Master Geo. E. Heath, Jr., Master John A. Heath, Master William T. Heath, Mr. Frank H. Hale, Mr. Thomas M. Iden, Mr. Hermann M. Koldickin, Mr. Alfred D. Kohn, Miss Louie Kyburz, Mr. Jacques Kyburz, Mr. Raymond E. Lee, Mrs. Helen S. Leas, Mr. Leon J. Lambert, Mrs. Mildred B. McCoy, Miss Katherine M. Massie, Mrs. Cora L. Massie, Mrs. Margaret Madden, Mr. and Mrs. John Meyer, Mr. Manley C. Miller, Mrs. Matilda McCulloch, Miss Marguerite McCulloch, Mrs. Chas. Nebeker, Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Nell, Master Philip E. Nell, Master Theodore F. Nell, Mr. Anton W. A. Noren, Mr. Yoshimura Nochie, Mrs. Daisy B. Overton, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reich, Mr. Wm. M. Ramsay, Mr. May Sorensen, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Saleeby, Miss Anna Saleeby, Miss Sara Saleeby, Miss Felizardo Maria, Capt. and Mrs. J. P. Schwerin, Misses Elizabeth Schwerin, Margaret Schwerin, Master James P. Schwerin, Master Wm. Schwerin, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Storts, Mr. Yoshimura Seki, Mr. Shirata Sholeke, Mrs. Anna Thomas, Mrs. Anthony V. Touhy, Mrs. Ida Taseo, Gen. D. A. Ritter, Mrs. Yasujiro Uchida, Mr. Cistose Uchida, Mrs. Frances E. Woodson, Miss Mortha Frances Woodson, Master Wm. H. Woodson, Mrs. E. M. Wilson, Dr. and Mrs. Harold A. Watson, Master Campbell H. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Willett, Mr. Thomas J. Wolf, Mrs. Vivienne T. Weaver, Mrs. Kiniko Yamasaki, Mrs. Fanny Yu, Miss Lella Belknap, Mr. and Rev. Isaac.

Child Players.

Mrs. Lillian Ginnett's dramatic evening at the Guildhall School of Music was a distinct success. The programme consisted of five plays, including "Hearts to Sell," by Gertrude Jennings, and "The Travelling Man," by Lady Gregory. The youthful actors and actresses had evidently been admirably trained.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per A. O. L. s.s. "President Jackson" on Nov. 25.—Mr. E. W. Broadwith, Mr. T. B. Brown, Mrs. Chan Cho, Mr. Chu C. Fan, Miss E. S. Chu, Master Chu, Mr. Charlie Hor, Mrs. and Master C. Y. Huang, Mr. Martin Joedell, Mr. A. Linal, Mr. Ng Bock Long, Mr. E. Levy, Mr. Li Ting Kwan, Mr. S. A. Mok, Mr. Nee Tse Chery, Mr. H. W. Taggart, Mr. Wan Lai Po, Mr. K. F. Wong, Mr. E. Wopling, Mr. W. G. Worcester, Mr. P. Allison, Mrs. G. Berthelmer, Master J. Berthelmer, Master C. Berthelmer, Mrs. L. R. Hanthorn, Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Haverkamp, Mrs. E. R. Morrissey, Master B. Morrissey, Miss Amy Morrissey, Miss Anne Morrissey, Lt. C. C. Nutt, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Pierson, Master J. I. Pierson, Miss P. Pierson, Mrs. C. T. Richardson, Mr. H. E. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Smith.

Per E. & A. s.s. "Eastern" on Nov. 25.—Mr. C. T. Klein, Mrs. L. Rayet, Master F. Rayot, Mr. and Mrs. F. Owen Eustace, Mrs. and Miss Greig, Mr. G. F. C. Woollett, Dr. Percival A. Dingle, Mrs. J. R. Small, Mr. Martin Jodell, Miss O. E. Waddy, Mr. See Too-chuck, Mrs. Suey Sanoy, Mr. T. W. Hood, Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Smith, Mr. and Miss Inglis, Master Inglis, Mr. L. Logan, Mr. A. Commons, Miss G. S. Ramsdam, Mr. R. L. Scarlett.

DEPARTURES.

The D.S.L. s.s. "Prose Gardfield" on Nov. 26.—Mr. T. B. Lay, Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Wilson, Dr. Frederick Wilson, Capt. and Mrs. D. Davies, Messrs E. E. Roberts, A. Arch, M. Glas, Mrs. Jean Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Drew Chidister, Mrs. Merit F. M. Schenck, Master Robert Marchant, Mrs. Amy B. Schenck, Mrs. N. P. Thompson, Mrs. M. Gillies, Capt. and Mrs. F. K. Perkins, Mr. L. M. Bodgwick, Mrs. Mary S. Standish, Miss Lora Standish, Miss Adele And, Dr. H. M. Borkowski, Miss J. V. Goodwin, Mrs. V. R. Hyatt, Mr. Paul W. Hyatt, Mr. and Mrs. V. R. Hyatt, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Ward, Master A. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Anon, Comdr. and Mrs. E. E. Barber, Miss F. W. Barber, Master S. E. Barber, Jr., Miss C. E. Cottle, Messrs E. Darr, A. O. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Raymond, Miss O. A. Stocks, Mr. W. H. Bartleman, Miss E. M. Damon, Mrs. J. Griffith, Miss E. Harson, Miss M. A. Hopkins, Mrs. E. L. Lyman, Mrs. L. H. Robert, Mrs. O. R. Shatto, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Whittey, Miss Mable J. Wilcox, Mrs. Marie Arch, Master Walter Arch, Miss R. Arch, Mr. G. Blomfield, Mr. J. Heimendinger, Mrs. R. A. Chalfin, Miss Mabel Chalfin, Mrs. Martha W. Fono, Mr. J. B. Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Lohmann, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Judson.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 1st day of December, 1924, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of CROWN LAND North West of Kowloon Hospital in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of the Lot.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.				Area in Sq. Ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
		N.	S.	E.	W.			
1.	North West of Kowloon Hospital.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	18,200	10	100

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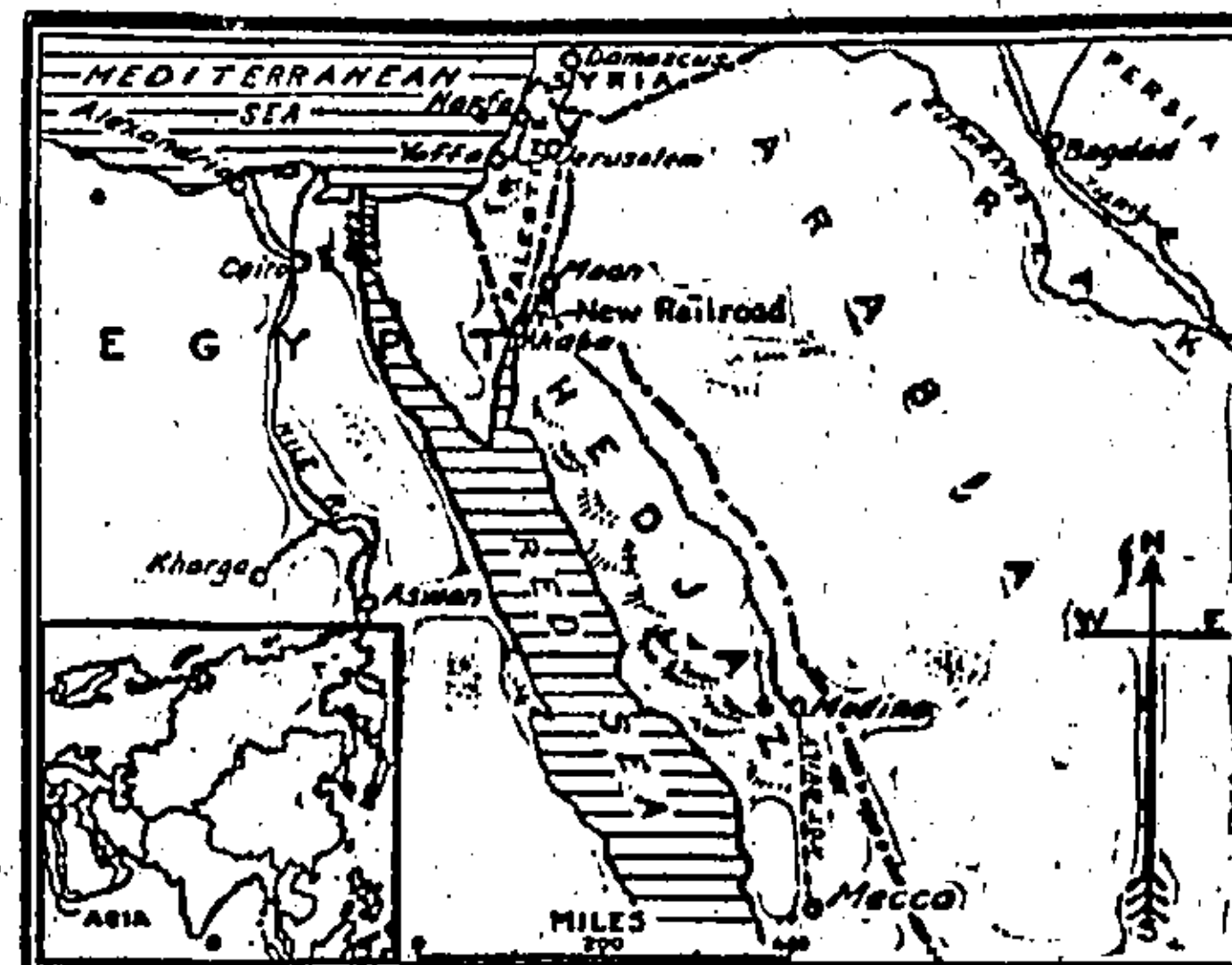
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		N.	S.	E.	W.			
1.	Cheung Sha Wan.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	7,300	5	500

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Riches to Rags.



MRS. ADELE McMASTERS

From "Rags to Riches" has been reversed in the case of Mrs. Adele McMaster, French Marquise, whose fate led from a regally appointed palace near Bordeaux, to the role of a crippled vendor of pencils on the streets of London. Her mother, daughter of the Marquis de Fournier, was exiled when she married a Huguenot and the girl, on her own resources, went to England. She opened a book store, after the death of her first husband, John Mass, an Artillery surgeon. Later she ran an eating house, but it soon failed. "It's just fate," she says without rancour. "I will not go to the poorhouse."

EPINARD FINISHES FIFTH.



To prove that his victory over Epinard, the great French four-year-old, was no fluke, Wise Counsellor, winner of the first of the series of international races, won the Laurel Stakes, easily beating six thoroughbreds. Big Blaze was second and Sun Flay third. Epinard ran a bad fifth. It is reported the French horse ran with a cracked hoof.

Inherits Fortune.



MRS. A. G. LEARNED

Mrs. Arthur G. Learned has been willed the entire fortune of Robert Hawley, head of a sugar Refining Company, because she and her husband "had been kind to a lonely old man," according to the terms of his will.

Boston Romance.



JUDGE J. T. ZOTTOLI

Joseph T. Zottoli has just been appointed a Judge in the Municipal Courts of Boston. He is one of the ten children of Anthony Zottoli, who earned \$10 a week when he came to America from Italy as a poor immigrant.

HOW THEY LOOK TO-DAY.



ABOVE: RICHARD LOEB. BELOW: NATHAN LEOPOLD.

You might not recognize them since the prison guards took away their hair, their names and their thick, curly hair and gave them numbers to distinguish them from the other prisoners in the prison. But they are none other than the "supernatural" criminals—Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb, sons of Chicago millionaires, who killed little "Bobbie" Frank for a thrill. They seem much subdued by the prospect of a life behind prison walls.

Mexico's President.



GEN. PLUTARCO CALLES

This is the most recent photograph of General Plutarco Elias Calles, President-elect of Mexico, who takes office on December 1, and who has just returned from a long tour of observation in Europe.

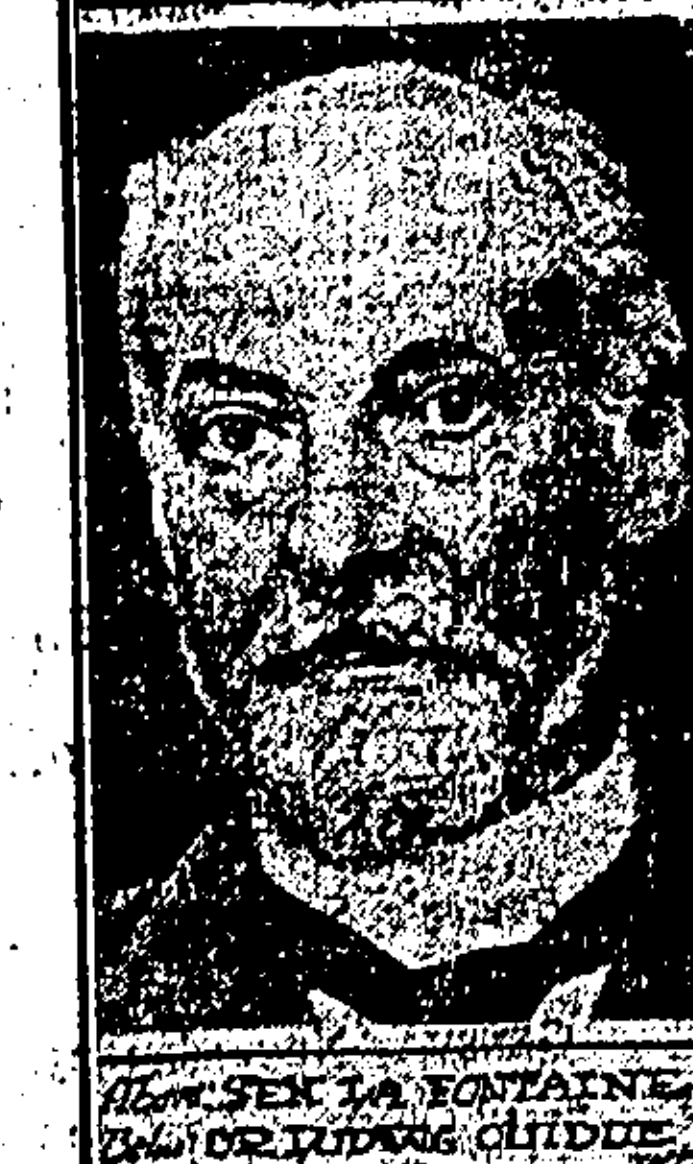
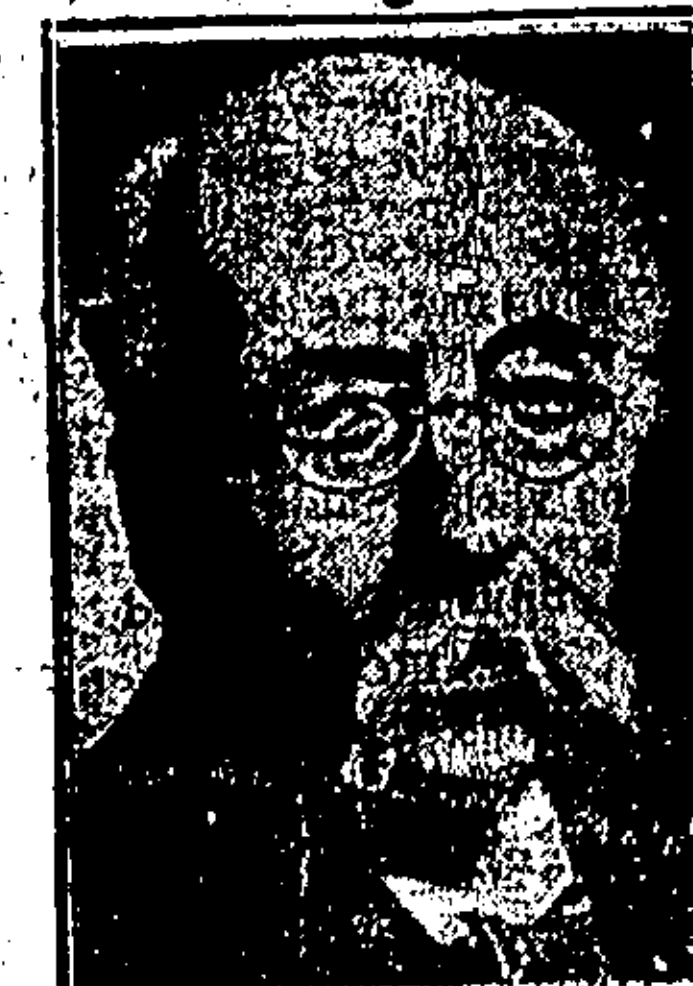
WOMEN WHO PAY IMMENSE INCOME TAXES.



ABOVE: MISS ISABELLE ROCKEFELLER. MRS. ANNE MORGAN. MRS. M. B. PRATT. MRS. ANDREW CARNEGIE. BELOW: MRS. M. L. BACON. MRS. E. G. PRATT. COUNTESS OF DONOUGHMORE. AND LEONORE ULRICH.

Among the women who pay immense income taxes are: The Countess of Donoughmore, who pays in excess of \$14,000; Miss Anne Morgan, \$2,000; Mrs. Andrew Carnegie, \$25,000; Miss Isabelle Rockefeller, \$3,500; Mrs. Martha Bacon, \$4,000; Leonore Ulrich, dancer, \$2,000; Mrs. Florence Gibb Pratt, \$12,000 and Mrs. Harriet Pratt, \$10,000.

International Peace Society.



M. LaFontaine, of the Belgian Senate, has been elected President of the German Peace Society, President of the International Peace Society, and the Twenty-third annual Peace Conference held in Bern, Switzerland.

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structions to sell by Public Auction

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THURSDAY, 27th Nov., 1924,

commencing at 11 a.m.

at the Premises of The Hongkong &
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West Point.

(For account of the concerned)

100 Cases Antimony Ore - W. 81

1485 Bags Antimony Ore - W. 81

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ON

THURSDAY, 27th Nov., 1924,

at 11.30 a.m.

at Nam Wo Hong's Godown, No. 152,
Cantonment Road, West.

(For account of the concerned)

81 Bags White Rice Meal

18 Bags White Rice

(more or less damaged)

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LAMMERT BROS.,

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ON

FRIDAY, 28th November, 1924,

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Broken Glass, Salted Fish, Clay

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WORLD OF SPORT.**HOCKEY.****CLUB DEFEAT MALAYA**
TEAM.

SHANGHAI MATCH POSSIBLE.

A team of Hongkong cricketers
opposed the Malaya cricket team at
hockey on the Marina ground at
Kowloon yesterday afternoon, and
after a keen and fast game won by
the odd goal in three. A large
crowd assembled, including the
Colonial Secretary (Sir Claud
Severn).Malaya had the assistance of two
Army officers in Capt. Hayes
Newington, who played at centre
forward, and Lieut. D. J. Allfree,
left half. The pace was hot
throughout, and the team put up a
splendid exhibition. All the
Hongkong men belong to the
Hockey Club and it was generally
expected that they would win.
Malaya, however, put up a sur-
prisingly good fight and made the
local players go all out to win. On
the whole, Hongkong's victory by
two goals to one fairly represented
the run of the play.

MATCH VS. SHANGHAI?

The Shanghai Hockey Associa-
tion held its annual general meet-
ing at the premises of the Shanghai
Rowing Club last week, when Mr.
J. L. Beaumont, the President of
the Association, presided. Secre-
taries of the Shanghai Hockey
Club, Junior Hockey Club and
P.S.A. were also present to hear
the annual report read by Mr.
W. S. Harvey, who referred to the
League games in which the Por-
tuguese Association headed the list
and registered its name on the
League shield for the first time.The renewal of triangular con-
tests between Hankow, Tientsin
and Shanghai was discussed and
the hope expressed that the military
and political activities in the
vicinity of Tientsin will permit of
these taking place again this
season.The financial position of the
Hockey Association was satisfac-
tory, owing to an increase in the
final balance bringing the total up
to \$156.52, which is to be carried
over to the present season.Mr. Harvey mentioned that he
was negotiating for an Interport
match with Hongkong, and Cap-
tain Barrett, then in Hongkong,
was attempting to get a team to
come from the Colony to Shanghai
during the coming season.

H.K.C. V. H. & S.R.A.

The following have been selected
to represent the Hongkong Hockey
Club in a match with the Hong-
kong and Singapore, R.A.; on the
Marina Ground, Kowloon, at
5 p.m., to-day.—C. L. R. Beecher,
Rev. T. B. Powell, W. May,**CRICKET.****M.C.C. DEFEAT SOUTH**
WALES.

(Router's Service.)

Sydney, November 22.

The M.C.C. defeated New

South Wales by three wickets.

The weather was glorious and the

wicket in good condition when the

match was resumed before 17,000

spectators. New South Wales in

their second innings made 221 in

four hours and 38 minutes.

Andrews gave a masterly display

for 86 not out, including eight

fours. Tyldesley took six wickets

for 83 runs and Tate three for 59.

The M.C.C. replied with 301 for

the loss of seven wickets and thus

won by three wickets. Hobbs

made 81, Chapman 72, Sutcliffe 45

and Hendren 46. Hobbs' graceful

innings occupied an hour and 54

minutes. He hit four fours.

POLO IN FRANCE.

London, October 31.—The

Olympic Games have given pro-
minence to polo, which was

practically unknown in France

previously, apart from matches at

Bagatelle and St. Cloud, but

now the Military School at

Joinville, which is a kind of

training school for the Army in

gymnastics and all kinds of sport,
has taken up the game, and,in a match of three chukkers, at
St. Cloud, Officers of the SixthDragoons beat another selected
military team by 4 goals to 1. Thegame was particularly interesting
as all eight players were mounted
on their own cavalry chargers.**INTERNATIONAL TENNIS.**

London, November 2.—In the

annual lawn tennis tournament

the Tennis Club de Paris defeated

the London Drive Club by 13

matches to 2.

A feature to-day was the

tremendous tussle between Borotra

and Jacob. The Frenchman won

by 3 sets to 2.

Ralph, D. Lyon, H. J. Arm-
strong, G. B. Hett, H. R.Meacock, G. R. More, T. J. Price,
W. H. Edmunds (Capt.)

VARSITY V. GRENADEERS.

The following will represent the

University in a match against the

Grenadiers at 4.30 p.m. on the

Marina ground, Kowloon, to-
day:—M. B. Osman, B. T.

Khoo, Y. C. Teh, B. P. Ng, J. E.

Noronha, C. W. Lam, C. K. Ong,
S. O. Shahabudin, T. E. Yeoh,

H. Y. Leong, H. N. Bahatchet.

Reserve:—B. N. Sudan.

GOLF.**DRAW FOR LOCAL**
CHAMPIONSHIP.Below will be found the draw
for the Royal Hongkong Golf Club
Championship.

The first round is to be played

on the morning of December 7;

the second round the same after-
noon. The semi-final is fixed forthe morning of December 14,
while the date of the final isDecember 21, when the course is
36 holes. The draw follows:

1st round

December 7 (Morning)

1. A. B. Purves,

2. J. B. Ross,

3. R. A. Camidge,

4. W. Galloway,

5. C. C. Stark,

6. E. J. R. Mitchell,

7. H. U. Ireland,

8. A. B. Stewart,

9. N. L. Smith,

10. J. W. Franks,

11. Capt. Bennet,

12. G. Murray,

13. Capt. Meredith,

14. L. W. Shewan,

15. Lt. A. H. Alexander,

16. A. H. Ferguson.

Second round: Winner of 1

plays 2; of 3 plays 4; of 5 plays 6;

of 7 plays 8.

Semi-final: winner of 1 and 2

plays winner of 3 and 4; of 5 and

6 plays winner of 7 and 8.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

London, October 30.—The Cam-

bridgeshire was run in showery

weather and in the heaviest going

experienced for years. Pasha was

kicked at the post by Re-Echo.

Grave Fairy made the running

from Dinkle, Moabite, Mignault,

Lighthouse, Twelve Pointer, Daw-
son City and Jarvis, with Bachelor's

Port and Verdict heading the

others for five furlongs, when

Mignault forced the pace pursued

by Twelve Pointer, Tranquillite

and Live Wire. At the bushes

Twelve Pointer dashed to the front

and resisting the challenges of

Bachelor's Port and Verdict, won

a good race. Dawson City was

fourth and Dumas fifth. Time: 1

min. 56 sec.

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